

**Question for written answer E-003124/2019
to the Commission**

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Subject: EU-Western Balkans Media Days

The EU-Western Balkans Media Days were organised with the purpose of supporting new initiatives in the region focusing on media responsibility, literacy, governance, legal expertise in the area of freedom of expression and promotion of reconciliation and regional cooperation.

Does the Commission consider this event to have been successful and fit for purpose?

What is the Commission doing, and what additional steps does it intend to take, in order to prevent political interference in media coverage and the spreading of disinformation, which makes it impossible to promote reconciliation and regional cooperation in the Western Balkans?